

Minutes of the August 11, 2010 EIC 25 by 25 Committee meeting

Attending:

Marge Bostelmann	Lynn Markham (until 2pm)
Sue McConnell	Dan Priske (until 2pm)
Ken Bates	Bob Podgorski
Gordy Farrell	Amy Peterson
Jim Hebbe	Todd Hudzinski
Jason Kauffeld	Bill Skowronski
Scott Weir	Don Keck
Paul Dragseth	

Absent: Al Shute, Linda Van Ness, Mark Podoll

1. Marge Bostelmann called the meeting to order at 12:05pm.
2. Open meeting law was met
3. The Agenda was approved (Priske/Farrell)
Added \$205 FDL Energy Tour funding request to agenda.
4. The Minutes were approved (Farrell/Priske)
Remove 'left early' from Gordy and Ken's departure as they were in attendance until the scheduled end of the meeting.
5. No Correspondence
6. No Public Comment
7. The Natural Step – Lynn Markham
From 12:20 to 2:00pm, Lynn Markham from the UW Stevens Point Center for Land Use Education (CLUE) led a facilitated study circle covering the The Natural Step for Communities (TNS). Ideas generated for our community:
 - Establish a Green Lake School Alumni Endowment
 - Rain Garden and Grass Roof at the School (note: Prairie Nursery in Westfield donates the plants needed for a rain garden)
 - Promote Biking
 - Teach and promote Sustainable Agriculture

The regular meeting of the EIC began at 2:10pm.

8. Baseline Update – Amy Peterson
County and School use 31.2 billion BTUs per year on average. This covers Heat, Fleet, and Electric – all energy use. 54% buildings & 46% fleet.
9. Renewable Research Report – Amy Peterson

There will be no on the ground surveys / site visits. All information in the report is gathered from existing sources.

10. Project List to meet 25 x 25 – Amy Peterson

- Don Keck recommended adding two categories to the section on Potential Energy Reduction: (1) Building Envelope and (2) Fleet.
- Don Keck will look at the energy use reports in more depth and will visit school and highway to go over report.
- Scott Weir shared a list of county energy reduction projects that he put together.

11. Education and Outreach

Jason taught 60 educators at the July 25-30 Midwest Regional Conference for Sustainability Education about community outreach and planning related to sustainability.

Jason helped lead an Energy Tour in FDL County on July 31. 25 attendees learned of the EIC 25x25 program and visited several sites demonstrating renewable energy production.

Motion by McConnell second by Weir to provide \$205 to UWEX in FDL County to help pay for the program costs. Motion passed.

The EIC hosted an educational booth at the August 5-8 Green Lake County Fair. EIC activities were advertised and 16 other organizations working in community sustainability also provided education and community outreach at the booth, and over 240 volunteer hours were mobilized to staff the booth. Jason and Sue and local Sustainability Team coordinator Todd Hudzinski coordinated the groups and the activities using the booth and developed a poster / placard detailing the mission of the EIC. Todd was thanked for his hard work obtaining and setting up a tent and organizing the booth and maintaining the volunteer schedule and personally manning the booth throughout the fair.

It was discussed that we should check to see if we can prepay the booth costs (\$125 per year) through 2025 so that this can be an annual EIC 25x25 community education and outreach event.

Motion by Farrell second by Bates to allocate up to \$500 to bring John Ikerd to Green Lake on August 27 to give a community presentation on community sustainability and renewable energy. Jason and Sue and Todd will be responsible for making this happen. Motion passed.

Ken will explore organizing the 'Algae Guy' to come present to the community in September.

The Renewable World Foundation's role in educating school youth was discussed and explored.

Information Kiosks were discussed.

12. Training

Jason and Sue and Todd and a representative of MSA attended the August 4, 2010 EI Pilot Community Meeting in Kaukauna.

13. Committee Discussion

- Next meeting is set for 2-4pm on September 8, 2010.
- Ken Bates and Bill Skowronski of Renewable World Foundation will talk before this next meeting about potential collaboration in educating school youth.

14. Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm. (Bates/McConnell)